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TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Herewith I return to you Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 2317 entitled:

AN ACT

To amend chapter 8, RSMo, by adding thereto twelve new sections relating to state properties and the conveyance thereof.

I disapprove Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 2317. My reasons for disapproval are as follows:

Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 2317 authorizes several land conveyances. In addition, it requires the Commissioner of the Office of Administration provide each member of the General Assembly with a key to the dome area of the state capitol. The well-founded concerns held by the Office of Administration, Missouri Department of Public Safety and Capitol Police over this provision have been repeated for years by multiple administrations. They range from inaccessibility to the dome area in the event of a medical emergency to the potential for security threats.

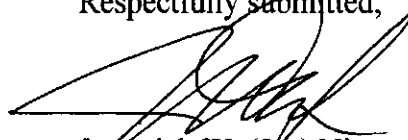
The land conveyances authorized in Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 2317 are also contained in Senate Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 2285. Both bills also include provisions relating to access to the dome area of the state capitol. However, only Senate Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 2285 includes a requirement for training on issues pertaining to secured areas of the capitol building. Broad access to the dome area is profoundly concerning and such access absent training and other safeguards is unacceptable on public safety grounds.

I disapprove Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 2317 with the knowledge that the land conveyances in that legislation were

authorized on July 9, 2010, with my approval of Senate Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 2285.

In accordance with the above stated reasons for disapproval, I am returning Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 2317 without my approval.

Respectfully submitted,



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Governor